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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Charles F. Schroer, Jr. et al.

Application No.: 10/612,601

Confirmation No.: 4815

Filed: July 1, 2003

Art Unit: 3761

For: DIAPER DESIGN HAVING ZONES OF
REDUCED STIFFNESS AND
CONTINUOUS BREATHABILITY

Examiner: K. M. Reichle

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 13 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 14 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	48	- 48* =	0	x	0.00
Independent	3	- 3** =	0	x	0.00
First presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)					
TOTAL					0.00

*not less than 20

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